

*Mr. W. W. Wood*

CLARKSBURG BAPTIST ASSOCIATION *Re. L. L. L.*

—☒— MINUTES —☒—

—OF THE—

—THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION:—

—OF THE—

Warrior River Baptist  
**ASSOCIATION,**

—○— HELD WITH ○—

BLOUNTSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH,

OCTOBER 11, 12 AND 13, 1892.

☆OFFICERS.☆

ELD. A. DORMAN,.....Moderator,.....McLarty, Ala.

ELD. ROBERT JONES,..Clerk and Treasurer,..Bangor, Ala.

*The next Session will be held with Liberty Church near Oneonta, Beginning Thursday before the 3rd Sabbath in Oct. 1893.*



## MINUTES.

The Warrior River Baptist Association convened in its thirty-fourth annual session with Blountsville Baptist Church Blountsville, Ala., on Oct. the 11th 1892, A. Dorman, Moderator, and Robert Jones, Clerk. Introductory by Eld. Wm. Whaley, followed by Eld. P. M. Musgrove.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

After prayer by Prof. Robert Jones, the body was called to order by the Moderator of last year, Dr. Cole. Bethern A. Dorman, Robert Jones, and J. A. Limer, were appointed to read letters from the various churches, and the following churches together with their messengers were then enrolled:—

- Antioch—J. D. Hendricks, G. D. Shelton, and J. P. Smith;
- Austins Creek—D. M. Fowler, W. B. Roberts, E. K. Head, A. R. Head, and J. Sims, (Sr.)
- Bethel—Eld. Jesse Brown, W. B. Sanders, and R. M. Holmes;
- Big Warrior—Not represented;
- Blountsville—Rev. H. W. Head, I. T. Stephens, and O. A. Steele;
- Brooksville—L. H. Pettit, D. P. Coley, and C. M. Jamerson;
- Dry Creek—W. B. Hazlerigs, H. W. Heaton, and H. H. Heston;
- Friendship—B. T. Finey;
- Guinn's Cove—J. F. Musgrove;
- Harmony—W. L. Ellison, A. F. Whitley, W. L. Whitley, and Thos. Hancock;
- Holly Pond—F. T. Morris, Wm. Taylor, and Hence Watts;
- Liberty—Steven Buckner, G. B. Carnes, (Sr.) Davis Hayse, L. D. Stephens, and Dan Bailey;
- Liberty Hill—W. H. Taylor, R. N. Bales, W. C. Campbell, J. H. Chasteen, and S. A. Chambers;
- Macedonia—Eld. A. Dorman, Samuel Nixon, and A. J. McCarty;
- Mt. Carmel—J. P. Ballew, L. T. Murphree, and J. A. Laten;
- Mt. Pisgah—J. B. Alexander, J. Nix, and W. A. Alexander;

Mt. Pleasant—W. D. Redman, and C. Green;

Mt. Tabor—J. Ratliff, and D. M. Busler;

Mulberry—J. W. Starnes, and R. J. Davis;

New Prospect—Jos. Johnston, and Henry Wilsoon;

Oneonta—W. S. Wells, Thos. D. Hyatt' and T. H. Dickerson;

Pine Grove—J. M. Pass, J. W. Crumbley, and G. P. Kelley;

Sardis—Eld. D. P. Carr, and J. E. Mizell;

Pine Bluff—W. W. Conway, and J. L. Rutherford;

An invitation to Visiting Ministers and Brethren was extended and the following Ministeres and Visiting Brethren accepted the invitation and were admitted to seats in the body and granted the courtesies of the flore. Viz: Eld. P. M. Musgrove and Eld. Wm. Whaley, Cullman.

The election of officers was then ordered and resulted in the choice of Eld. A. Dorman, as Moderator and Eld. Robert Jones, as Clerk and Treasurer.

Called for petitionary churches and a letter of dismissal from Sulphur Springs Association was presented by Oak Grove Baptist Church which was received and the Moderator on behalf of the body gave them the right hand of fellowship.

Appointed committees as follows:—

On Devotion—Rev. H. W. Head, Robert Steele, and W. L. Ellison; and deacons of Blountsville church.

On Deceased Ministers—Eld. Jesse Brown, C. J. McCarley, and Eld. W. J. Chambers;

On Sabbath Schools—O. A. Steele, and J. D. Hendricks;

On Nominations—A. F. Whitley, I. T. Stephens, and D. P. Coley

On Missions—Robert Jones, D. P. Carr, and J. C. Buckner;

On Temperance—E. M. Bowerman, Wm. Alexander, and J. P. Smith;

On Education—H. W. Head, J. W. Crumbley, and T. A. Hancock;

On Ministerial Education—Joshua Ratliff, W. J. Chambers, and A. R. Head;

On Finance—W. L. Ellison, Jas. Rutherford, and Jno. Starnes;

On Prayer Meetings—Eld. W. J. Chambers, Green Carnes, and S. M. Nixon;

Letters and Documents—C. C. Hughes, J. M. Pass, and L. H.

Pettit.

WEDNESDAY OCT. 12.

After prayer by Eld. P. M. Musgrove, Association called to order. First called for Correspondence from sister Associations and enrolled as follows: B. Earl, Cullman, Eld. Pettit, Etowah.

Appointed Correspondents to sister Associations, as follows: Etowah—Brethren W. and J. B. Alexander and Eld. A. Dorman. Cullman—Joshua Ratliff, and Eld. W. J. Chambers.

Sulphur Springs—Robert Jones, Eld. C. C. Hughes, and Eld. W. J. Lee.

Southern Baptist Convention—Dr. P. G. Alldredge, and Robert Jones, Alternate:

State Convention—Bro. J. D. Hendricks, and A. Dorman, Alt.

Called for report on Deceased Ministers—Not ready.

Letter from Holly Pond, read and received.

Report on Sabbath Schools read and adopted, as follows:—

We your committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to submit the following as our report. We find reported to the Association, eight Sunday Schools a considerable increase from last year.

Number baptized from eight Sunday Schools, 30. We recommend the Brethren of the Association to take a more active part in the study of the Bible and religious Literature and as aids in the study of the Bible, we recommend the use of the Literature issued or published by the "American Baptist Society" and that published under the direction of the Southern Baptist Convention, seeing the great work that has been done in the eight Sunday Schools in the Associations, and realizing what could be done were all our churches wide awake and alive to this great work of the Lord, realizing as we do that the work of the church must soon fall on the young people and children, let us endeavor by the help of God to teach them their duty and responsibility, to the church and to their God and what way could we adopt that would be more efficient in its results of good to the cause of Christ and to those religions is either for or against the church, and praying God's blessings upon the schools in the Association and upon the churches when they have no schools that they may be all opened to do their duty, we are yours in Christian home.

O. A. STEELE, }  
J. D. HENDRICKS, } Committee.

After noon Session—Prayer by Eld. Wm. Whaley. Called for report on Deceased Ministers which was read and adopted as follows:—

We your committee on Deceased Ministers beg leave to make the following report we find that God in his goodness has spared the lives of all our Ministers, for which we humbly thank him. Brethren of the Ministry let us be more faithful in preaching the word and fear not to declare the whole counsel of God.

Respectfully submitted, ELD. JESSE BROWN, Committee.

Called for report on Missions which was read, received and adopted as follows:—

#### REPORT ON MISSIONS.

STATE—As Alabamians we are under special obligations to Evangelize Ala. This work ought to have the hearty support and sympathy of us all. This feature of Mission work has been prospered in our bounds, but we are sorry to report that it has been entirely too limited. But little over half of the \$200 promised by the Association for this purpose, has been raised. We need an Evangelist to spend all of his time in the field, and we further recommend that this work be done through the State Board. Oh! brethren, we implore you in Jesus precious name, give your attention to this work.

HOME.—The Home Mission Board has accomplished a great work and the prospect grows brighter. God is blessing this agency for the dissemination of the truth.

We gather from the least report of the board, the following encouraging facts: Workers employed 406, baptisms 5,349, additions in Mission churches 9,987, houses built 143, money expended in the erection of houses \$60,473. A considerable gain over last years. Surely the Lord is with us:

What troubles your committee is that our Association has done so little for the Home Board. During the year we have contriuted.

The Lord calls upon us to help in this work. Will we obey?

FOREIGN.—It pains us to report the unwelcome fact that during the year, we have contributed only \$... to Foreign Mission. The Southern Baptist Convention is making an effort to raise funds sufficient to send 100 more Missionaries to various foreign fields. Those countries are open for the reception of the gospel. Their sin-blighted inhabitants are calling for the bread of Eternal life.

It is our duty to give it to them. May the Lord help us to perform that duty for Christ's Sake Amen. Robt. Jones, Chairman.

THURSDAY MORNING.

Prayer by Eld. W. H. Absher.

Motion to limit all speeches to five minutes—lost.

Motion to limit speeches to ten minutes carried.

Motion to suspend the regular order of business to appoint a committee on queries, as follows:—

Eld. W. M. Cole, H. W. Head and Eld. Jesse Brown.

Call for report on Ministerial Education which was read and adopted as follows:—

Dear Brethren,—In our report on Ministerial Education, we are at a loss to know what to suggest in order to arrive at a salution of this important subject. As former recommendations have proven to be almost entire failurer.

Our last Association promised \$63.25, and only \$32.50 have been paid. We see from the reading of the letters from the various churches that there is no interest being taken in this work.—Brethren we think that this Association ought to raise annually at least, \$150 to be spent on some worthy Minister until he is educated.

We have all over this country consecrated young men who are determined by the help of God to secure an education whether we help them are not. They need help.

We recommend Howard College as it is our own institution and belongs alone to the Baptist of Alabama, it is second to no institution in the State. Respectfully submitted, Joshua Ratliff.

Called for report on Temperance, read, received, amended and adopted as follows:—

NOTE.—The Report on Temperance has been last, but the amendment is as follows:—Resolved first, that no church in the this Association shall fellowship a member who signs a petition to sell whiskey. Second that no dramdrinker shall be fellowshipped by the churches composing this Association.

Report of committee on Nominations called for, read and adopted as follows:—

We your committee on Nominations beg leave to make the following report to wit: we recommend Liberty church for the place of holding the next Association.

We recommend Rev. H. W. Head to preach the next Introduc-

tory Sermon, Rev. A. Dorman alternate, for Missionary Sermon, J. A. May and W. M. Cole alternate. We recommend a change of the time of meeting from Tuesday to Thursday before the third Sabbath in Oct, 1893. All of which is respectfully submitted, A. F. Whitley, Chairman.

Called for report on Prayer Meetings, read, received and adopted as follows:—

We your committee on Prayer Meetings submit the following report we find from the letters only 3 churches have a regular prayer meeting such as have prayer-meeting enjoy a great in gathering we urge the brethren to give this branch of church work more attention that the cause may be more prosperous.

G. B. Carnes, Green Carnes and S. W. Nixon, Committee.

Report of committee on Letters and Documents, read, amended and adopted as follows:—

We your committee on Documents beg leave to make the following report we have taken the letters from the various churches under inspection and have carefully examined the same. We find all right except the pending trouble between Antioch and Walnut Grove churches and we hereby recommend that those churches settle their own troubles.

C. C. Hughes, Chairman.

Report on Education, read, received and adopted as follows:—

Your committee on education would make the following report that the cause of education is advancing, the people are becoming more interested and the schools and colleges of the country show a better attendance than ever before at this season of the year. The people are demanding better teachers and the moral and religious feature is becoming more prominent in all our educational work. Yet, with all this increase both in quantity and quality of work we have hardly touched the great and pressing demand that is now upon us as a church and as a people in this country hundreds and thousands of the bright-eyed boys and girls of the country are being thrown upon the great curant of humanity, to be driven upon the breakers and upon the rocks without chart and without compass.

May the good Lord help us as a denomination to view the situation as it is and try to meet the great responsibility that we are under on this line and preforme the duty that we owe to our children and to our God.

H. W. Head, Chairman.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by Rev. Thos. Hancock. On motion, the clerk was allowed \$10 for his services and instructed to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes. Also specially instructed to have



the Constitution and Articles of faith in the next edition of minutes.

Report of committee on Queries read and adopted as follows:—

We your committee on queries present the following question. Can the Missionary Baptist receive without re-baptism, what is known as the Tidwell or Allgood Baptist. We as a committee believe that we can, and recommend that this body now decide whether we will receive them or not.

Wm. Cole, Chairman.

Passed Resolution A. as follows:—

Resolved: That this Association after full and free discussion of the matter take this Method of extending to the Allgood Baptist a hearty invitation to come among us either individually by letter or by whole churches without refererece to their baptism.

Passed Resolution B. as follows:—

Resolved: That this Association extend our heartfelt thanks to the church and people of Blountsville for their kind hospitalities extended to us during our Session and also to the faculty of Blount College for courtesies extended to us.

Elected Executive Committee as follows:—A. F. Whitley Ch'm, I. T. Stephens, Sec'y., J. D. Hendricks, J. Ratliff and W. L. Ellison.

Report of Ex. Com. read and adopted as follows:—

Report of Ex. Com. We met at Liberty Hill and on motion W. J. Chambers was appointed to preach at Guinn's Cove and Oak Grove churches two days in each month on a salary of \$2. per day, provided said churches duplicate that amount. G. B. Carnes was appointed to preach to Big Warrior church on same terms. Robert Jones was appointed to go to Bangor and see what can be done there and be paid \$1.00 per day.

Second meeting, Pine Grove church. Committee agreed to pay J. C. Buckner \$1.00 per day to preach two days in each month at Dry Creek church, on motion A. Dorman, was elected Missionary on a salary of \$2.00 per day, work to be done in the Southern and Northwestern portions of the Association.

Balance due Missionaries: A. Dorman, \$... G. B. Carnes, \$... W. J. Chambers, \$... J. C. Buckner, \$... Total, \$...

A. F. Whitley, Chairman.

Missionaries Report. Your Missionary submits the following report: We began work about the 8th of July 1892 days of labor 59 miles traveled 970, families visited 280, prayers 160, sermons preached 64, lectures 20.

We find the field of labor extensive and a great evangelic work lies out before us as an Association may the Lord help us to fill it.

A. Dorman.

Report of Finance committee.

We your committee on finance wish to report that we have received the sum of \$33.85 from the various churches for the following purposes and divided as below:

CHURCHES.	Minutes.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.
Antioch.....	\$2.00	\$1.00	\$1.00
Anstins Creek.....	1.25		
Bethel.....	55		
Blountsville.....	1.15		
Brooksville.....	1.20		
Friendship.....	1.30	1.00	
Gunn's Cove.....	50		
Harmony.....	1.40	10.00	
Holly Pond.....	1.35	4.25	50
Liberty.....	1.70	8.15	
Liberty Hill.....	1.10		2.85
Macedonia.....	1.00	10.00	
Mt. Carmel.....	1.50	3.00	
Mt. Pleasant.....	1.00		
Mt. Pisgah.....	85		
Mt. Tabor.....	1.50	4.30	
Mulberry.....	1.00	2.50	
New Prospect.....	60		
Oneonta.....	1.50	5.80	
Pine Grove.....	1.25		
Sardice.....	75		85
Big Warrior.....			
Pine Bluff.....	80		
Dry Creek.....	1.00		
Oak Grove.....	1.50		
Making a Total of	\$28.05	\$50.00	\$5.20
Respectfully Submitted,		W. L. Ellison, Chairman.	

On motion the Executive Committee was instructed to notify each church the amount behind for Associational Missions and ask them to raise the money at once.

Treasurers Report.—Robert Jones, in account with Warrior River Association.

To amount on hand last year \$61.10. To the following amounts from the following churches:—Anstins Creek \$9.05; Mt. Carmel \$4.40; Liberty Hill \$7.50; Mt. Pleasant \$3.40; Liberty \$5.00; Pine Grove \$4.95; Dry Creek \$1.20; Mt. Pisgah \$4.15; Harmony \$2.25; Blountsville \$3.50; Sister Jenkins 150; Oneonta \$4.00; Antioch \$4. Finance committee \$80.00 Total \$164.65.

Disbursements. By amount paid, W. J. Chambers \$31.35; E. M. Bowerman \$7.35; G. B. Carnes \$16.50; Robert Jones \$2.00; J. C. Buckner \$12.50; A. Dorman \$87.95; for Minutes \$29.00; for Circulars \$2.25; State Board \$5.50. Total \$194.65.

Respectfully submitted, 34.20 Robert Jones.

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STATISTICS OF WARRIOR RIVER ASSOCIATION, 1892.

CHURCHES.	COTTONY.	PASTOR.	CLERK.	CLERK'S P. O.	Orig. Miss.		Membership last year.	Baptism	R. c. by Letter.	Restoration.	D. s. by Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.	Present Membership.	Pre'ch Sabbath
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Antioch.....	Bount	J. A. May	John D. Hendricks	Liberty	1	1	111	1	3	5	7	4	1	99	3
Arctus Creek.....	"	J. S. P. Smith	A. R. Head	Bountsville	2	2	103	1	5	5	7	4	1	103	1
Bethel.....	"	Jesse Brown	R. L. Besbears	Wynaville	2	40	40	5	2	2	1	1	1	45	1
Bountsville.....	"	H. W. Head	I. T. Stephens	Bountsville	5	2	56	7	2	2	2	1	1	63	2
Brooksville.....	"	John D. Pettit	P. G. Aldredge	Brooksville	1	32	32	4	5	2	1	1	1	55	4
Friendship.....	Marshall	D. P. Carr	W. A. Carroll	Friendship	1	00	00	13	7	2	4	1	1	85	3
Friend's Cove.....	Bount	W. J. Chambers	J. E. Minsgrove	Rangor	1	11	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	1
Hannoy.....	"	J. A. May	W. L. Johnson	Wattur Grove	1	105	105	10	3	3	2	2	1	118	1
Holly Pond.....	Crifman	W. J. Chambers	Lee Watts	Holly Pond	1	84	84	10	10	10	5	1	1	79	3
Liberty.....	Bount	J. A. May	D. B. Mitchell	Murphree's Valley	1	126	126	13	7	7	0	2	3	133	2
Liberty Hill.....	"	W. J. Chambers	D. M. Cox	Royal	1	78	78	8	7	1	7	1	2	100	2
Macedonia.....	"	A. Dorman	A. J. McFarley	McFarley	1	85	85	4	5	5	3	1	1	89	2
Mt. Carmel.....	"	J. W. Crumpley	J. P. Blalock	Murphree's Valley	1	64	64	13	5	5	1	2	1	74	2
Mt. Pleasant.....	"	J. W. Crumpley	John W. Green	Clarence	1	45	45	2	5	5	1	2	1	47	1
Mt. Pisgah.....	Blowah	Jas. J. Cox	J. Nix	Nix	1	41	41	2	5	5	1	1	1	40	5
Mt. Taor.....	Bount	E. M. Bowerman	J. W. Ratniff	Gum Spring	1	90	90	6	6	6	7	2	2	85	4
Mulberry.....	"	W. H. Absher	E. P. Dodd	Gum Spring	1	31	31	3	5	5	6	6	6	34	1
New Prospect.....	"	Jesse Brown	S. C. Wilson	Brooksville	2	38	38	5	2	2	6	1	1	49	2
Oceola.....	"	J. A. May	J. F. Morris	Oceola	1	47	47	5	5	5	1	1	1	37	1
Pine Grove.....	"	W. J. Lee	Geo. P. Kelly	Dover	1	31	31	8	5	5	1	1	1	39	4
Sardice.....	Ptowah	J. J. Clayton	F. J. Brazel	Penton	1	28	28	1	1	1	8	1	1	39	4
Pine Bluff.....	Bount	J. C. Buckner	L. E. Rutherford	Little Warrior	1	10	10	1	4	4	1	1	1	15	1
Dry Creek.....	"	W. J. Chambers	W. B. Hazlerigg	Radwell	1	39	39	5	5	5	7	1	1	15	1
Oak Grove.....	"	W. J. Chambers	J. C. Walker	Bangor	1	39	39	5	5	5	7	1	1	38	1

